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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q58742

Yasuharu IWAKI

Appln. No.: 09/624,161

Group Art Unit: 2625

Confirmation No.: 5436

Examiner: Madeleine A V Nguyen

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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR IMAGE PROCESSING

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

REMARKS

In the Statement of Reason for Allowance in the Notice of Allowance, the Examiner acknowledges that the claims are allowable because certain features therein are not taught or suggested by the prior art. However, the language used by the Examiner in describing these exemplary features is not the same as the language contained in all of the claims.

Accordingly, Applicant submits that each individual claim is allowable based on its own language, and not based on any paraphrasing of language that may be made by the Examiner.

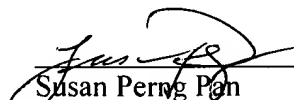
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